

MEDIA RELEASE

WAKE UP AND GET TO WORK "OR PARKS AND REC STAFF TO BE LAID OFF NEXT"

Councillor Giorgio Mammoliti, Chair of Parks, snaps a picture of one of many Local 79 Employees who are sleeping on the job at our Community Centres all across Toronto.



*Local 79 Employee sleeping on the job at the Carmine Stefano Community Centre Fitness Room, First Floor
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"Wake up and provide the service you were hired for or the next staff to be laid off will be from Parks and Recreation" says Councillor Mammoliti

Supervision at this centre has been an ongoing issue that is concerning to the community. Sleeping on the job while community members make use of equipment is a **HUGE** health and safety concern and a disrespectful display to our taxpayers from union protected employees. **"2014 Budget debates will be the next major discussion we have on the Council floor. We have asked Staff to look for efficiencies to help reduce our budget...I found one."** Managers and supervisors of departments should carefully consider proposing any increases to their respective budgets if these are the types of employees our great City is hiring.

"Our residents deserve the best and we should be hiring individuals who represent themselves and our City at the highest level of public service."

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